COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

<u>L.R. No.:</u> 2429-01 <u>Bill No.:</u> HB 1084

Subject: Licenses - Motor Vehicle: Religion; Revenue Department

Type: Original Date: April 6, 2009

Bill Summary: Exempts certain persons from the driver's licence and non-driver's license

photograph requirement

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	
General Revenue	(\$2,000)	(\$2,000)	(\$2,000)	
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	(\$2,000)	(\$2,000)	(\$2,000)	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	
Total Estimated Net Effect on Other State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	
Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE	0	0	0	

- □ Estimated Total Net Effect on All funds expected to exceed \$100,000 savings or (cost).
- ☐ Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund expected to exceed \$100,000 (cost).

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Public Safety - Office of the Director** and **Missouri State Highway Patrol** state this proposal will have no fiscal impact on their respective agencies.

According to officials from the **Office of Secretary of State (SOS)**, many bills considered by the General Assembly include provisions allowing or requiring agencies to submit rules and regulations to implement the proposal. The SOS is provided with core funding to handle a certain amount of normal activity resulting from each year's legislative session. The fiscal impact for this fiscal note to the SOS for Administrative Rules is less than \$2,500.

Oversight assumes the SOS could absorb the costs of printing and distributing regulations related to this proposal. If multiple bills pass which require the printing and distribution of regulations at substantial costs, the SOS could request funding through the appropriation process. Any decisions to raise fees to defray costs would likely be made in subsequent fiscal years.

Officials from the **Department of Revenue (DOR)** state they would need to modify the DOR website information to include the procedures as defined under this proposed section. DOR would also need to draft and submit for comment, an administrative rule, detailing the accepted religions and what documentation is required to determine an applicant's affiliation with this religion.

This proposed legislation will require programming changes to the Missouri Electronic Driver License (MEDL also referred to as Over The Counter-OTC) software and supporting applications. These programming changes will need to be designed and tested.

The cost would be calculated as 20 estimated hours for project completion (requirements and system testing) X \$100 (Hourly rate for an OTC contractor) = \$2,000.

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FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012
GENERAL REVENUE	(10 Mo.)		
Cost - Department of Revenue - Contract programming cost	<u>(\$2,000)</u>	(\$2,000)	(\$2,000)
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE	<u>(\$2,000)</u>	<u>(\$2,000)</u>	<u>(\$2,000)</u>
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2010 (10 Mo.)	FY 2011	FY 2012
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This proposed legislation exempts members of a recognized religious sect or division, as defined in 26 U.S.C. Section 1402(b), from the driver's license and non-driver's license photograph requirement, by reason of which they are conscientiously opposed to having their photograph taken.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

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SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Revenue
Department of Public Safety
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